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PRES.-ELECT HARDING CALLS FOR TEAM WORK

Spends Day at the National Capitol

MAY CALL
EXTRA SESSION

Revision of Nation's Tax Schedule Planned. Will Resign Senate Seat Early in January. Makes Short Speech Before Senate Body and is Heartily Received.

Washington, Dec. 6.—To put into practice his doctrine of consultation and good understanding among public officials, President-elect Harding spent today at the capitol taking stock of the legislative problems that await the new session of Congress, and in turn seeking the co-operation of Congressional leaders in the tasks he will confront as chief executive.

Adding a unique page to the nation's history, he attended as a senator the opening of the Senate and in a short address bespoke for the coming four years a spirit of team-work between executive and legislative branches that he expects to insure the highest national efficiency in public affairs at home and abroad.

Later, after conferences with leaders of both Senate and House, he announced that he probably would call a special session of Congress soon after his inauguration to attempt a revision of the nation's tax schedules. Both in his private consultations and in his address in the Senate, he asked that the three months remaining to the present Congress be used without attempt at partisan advantage to clear away routine and lay the groundwork for constructive legislation after March 4.

Foreign relations and the League of Nations were discussed by Mr. Harding along with domestic problems, and possible cabinet selections in his long string of conferences with senators and representatives. The ranking national leaders of his party outside of Congress also were present at the consultation, which will be continued most of tomorrow.

With his departure for Marion late tomorrow afternoon, the President-elect will bid goodbye to actual participation in the proceedings of the Senate, although he will retain his title and office until early in the new year. He revealed today that he had decided definitely to resign his Senate seat between January 10 and 15, when a change of state administration in Ohio will permit the appointment of a Republican to succeed him.

Mr. Harding's address in the Senate in response to an ovation that greeted his appearance for the opening roll call and was delivered at the suggestion of Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the Republican leader who called attention to the fact that for the first time in history a President-elect was present as a senator. Vice President Marshall seconded the suggestion by leaving his place and escorting Senator Harding to the rostrum.

Visibly affected by the courtesy shown him by his colleagues and by crowded galleries, the President-elect voiced deep regret at the surrender of his associations of six years, including both Democrats and Republicans in his tribute of affection and respect for his fellow senators. He termed campaign charges of a Senate oligarchy as "harmless fiction," and declared that as President, he would regard both Senate and House with high esteem but without a thought of any surrender of coordinate constitutional authority.

"Our governmental good fortune," he said, "does not lie in any surrender at either end of the avenue, but in the coordination and co-operation which becomes the two in a great and truly representative popular government. We are facing no easy task. I am sure that the necessity of wise solution will inspire us to work together, to take common counsel, to be tolerant of one another and to give the best that is in all of us."

Applause from both sides of the chamber answered him, and after the brief senate session adjourned, republicans and democrats crowded around him to shake his hand and offer their

COURT IN SESSION

Minor Cases Disposed of. Small Verdict in Thomason-Stevens Case

The special term of the court of common pleas convened Monday morning with Judge Ernest Moore presiding. All of Monday and a part of Tuesday were taken up in the trial of the case of Thomason vs. Stevens, which was a suit growing out of an automobile collision on the Princeton road. The jury returned a verdict of \$100 for the plaintiff.

Yesterday about noon the court took up the case of Taylor & May vs. P. A. Mitchell. The suit was for the collection of a bill alleged to have been made by a brother of the defendant and guaranteed by the defendant. The jury retired about four o'clock and was not able to agree late yesterday evening.

Late in the evening the court took up the case of the town of Renno vs. the S. A. L. railway and this case was still being heard when court adjourned.

TURNER ASKS FOR LIFE SENTENCE

Negro Who Killed Officers Here Asks Commutation of Death Sentence.

Greenville, Dec. 4.—Joe Turner, the negro who shot and killed Policemen Blair and Kitchen here on October 5, 1919, and who, under the name of John Williams, has been sentenced to death in Virginia for killing a member of the Lynchburg police force, has filed a petition to Governor Davis, through his attorney, Don O. Halsey, asking that his sentence be commuted to life imprisonment, according to dispatches received yesterday by the News from Lynchburg.

Commonwealth Attorney Yancey, the dispatch says, has written the governor urging him not to interfere with the decision of the courts.

Turner's appeal from the Lynchburg corporation court was dismissed by the Virginia supreme court of appeals some weeks ago. Should the governor deny the requested commutation of sentence, the negro will probably be taken before the Lynchburg court at an early date to be re-sentenced.

congratulations. Everywhere he went about the capitol he was besieged by crowds and scores of callers swarmed about his office all day in the hope of a conference with him.

The president-elect's talks with congressional leaders and with his political advisers took place in the office of Senator Lodge, where he went as soon as he reached the capitol and remained most of the day. Among the senators who saw him there were Brandegee of Connecticut; Curtis of Kansas; Calder, of New York; Watson, of Indiana; New of Indiana, and Borah, of Idaho. Will H. Hays, the republican national chairman, Harry M. Daugerty the Harding pre-convention manager, former Senator Weeks of Massachusetts and former Senator Sutherland of Utah, also were present at most of the conferences.

"I preached throughout the campaign the gospel of understanding," said Mr. Harding tonight in explaining the purpose of his visit, "and I am trying to put it into practice immediately. I don't want these three months to be wasted in gaining any partisan advantage. I have asked senators particularly to expedite the appropriation bills, so that none of them shall go over to the next session and so that we shall have the decks clear for a very likely extra session."

Asked how soon the extra session might be expected to follow his inauguration, he replied that the exact time had not been fixed, but that he thought it would come "very soon."

In his discussion of foreign affairs with those who called upon him the president-elect is understood to have indicated no definite plan for an association of nations but to have shown confidence that his conferences on the subject to begin in Marion next week would furnish a basis for agreement.

"I am trying," he said tonight, "to find a line where we can essentially get together on matters of foreign relations. I am trying to get together on matters of foreign relationship with the senate because of its coordinate power in the ratification of treaties."

MORE CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR

C. R. Bishop and John A. Franks Enter Race and W. G. Lancaster Withdraws. Election Date Not Yet Fixed.

The past week has seen a change in the line-up for the mayoralty race to select the successor to W. R. Richey, Jr., resigned. W. G. Lancaster has announced his intention to withdraw from the race, while C. H. Bishop, alderman from Ward 4, and John A. Franks, prominent merchant, placed their names in the list of contestants.

Mr. Lancaster, who was announced by friends last week and who at one time decided to enter the race, gave as his reason for withdrawing the press of other business. He said that he did not have the time to spare from his other work to give to the mayor's office and would have to neglect either his own work or that of the city.

Ex-Mayor C. M. Babb, who had been spoken of in connection with the race, has stated that he will not enter. Among other things Mr. Babb said: "I am already obligated to the people of the entire county who honored me by electing me on the first ballot to the legislature, and regardless of my own pecuniary interests I can not afford to violate my solemn pledge to the people of the county. I appreciate, as much as any man could, the solicitations of a large number of friends here in Laurens who have asked me to become a candidate for the office, which I held for several years. But since I have been honored by the people of the county under a promise made by me to serve them faithfully and to the best of my ability, there is nothing left for me to do but to decline the solicitations of my friends in this city with thanks and maintain the pledge that I made to serve the whole county."

The date of neither the primary or general election has been fixed. A meeting of the Democratic club has been called by President R. E. Babb to meet in the court house Thursday night at 8 o'clock to organize for the election. Among other things to be taken up will be a change of the rules to allow the women to vote. The general election will be fixed by the city council after the primary election date has been fixed.

FORMER LAURENS MAN DEAD

Wm. H. Redden Died in Greenwood Last Tuesday

Mr. W. H. Redden, who was born and reared in Waterloo township, died in Greenwood Tuesday and was buried Thursday. The following notice of his death was taken from the Greenwood Index-Journal of Tuesday afternoon:

William H. Redden, 64 years of age, died today about noon at the home of his son-in-law, J. F. Parkman at South Greenwood. Funeral arrangements have not been completed but the burial will take place at Horeb church, the service being conducted by Rev. Mr. Driggers. Mr. Redden was for a number of years a well known farmer in the Bradley section. He was originally from Laurens county. For the last few years he has made his home with his daughter, Mrs. J. F. Parkman. He is survived by one brother, Mr. John Redden of Waterloo, and by four children, Mrs. J. F. Parkman and Mr. W. M. Redden of South Greenwood. Mrs. A. H. Hilton and Mrs. G. W. Long of Hartsville, S. C.

DRINK COSTS LIFE

Seven Soldiers Poisoned at Camp Benning

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 2.—Seven soldiers were poisoned, one fatally, at Camp Benning here today from drinking what is believed to have been wood alcohol. Private George C. Hall of Waco, Texas, died during the day, two others were reported tonight to be in a critical condition, while four were on the way to recovery. Investigation was said to have shown the men purchased the drink for corn liquor. Search for liquor throughout the 98,000 acres of the camp was instituted today and it was said at the camp that a quantity of it was found.

IMMIGRATION BAN MAY BE ORDERED

Tentative Approval Given Bill of Representative Johnson by House Committee.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Tentative approval was given today by members of the house immigration committee to the bill framed by Representative Johnson of Washington, chairman of the committee, which practically would suspend immigration for a two year period. Mr. Johnson said he would introduce the measure Monday when congress convenes.

Committee members said they were hopeful that both the house and senate would dispose of immigration legislation early in the session.

Meeting of D. A. R.

The Henry Lawrence Chapter, D. A. R. will hold its regular monthly meeting on Friday afternoon, Dec. 10, at 5 o'clock with Mrs. J. F. Harney. All members are urged to be present.

Signed by Secretary,
Mrs. Brooks Swygert.

DEATH OF E. B.

Well Known Merchant Home Here Friday Night Buried Sunday Afternoon

Mr. Emory B. Mache, wholesale merchant of Laurens, died at his home in this city after an illness of several days night he suffered a paralysis from which he died on Friday night at a few minutes later.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by his pastor, H. Templeman, of the church, assisted by Mr. Holmes, pastor of the church. Interment was made at the cemetery after a service attended by a large number of friends and relatives.

The deceased is a widow, who was born Pearl Duval and James, Cornelia Mache, of Princeton, and survived by his wife, Mache, of Princeton, and his brothers and sisters, H. Mache, of G. Mache, of Laurens, Princeton, and Mrs. R. A. Cooper, who died in 1914.

Mr. Mache was born November 11, 1854, and for many years he has been a wholesale grocer and had a large family who deeply regret his death.

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